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## G. V. G. &amp; N. RAILROAD.

TIME TABLE.

Between BOWIE and GERONIMO.

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## LOCAL NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Items of Local Interest Gathered by Reporters on their Rounds.

## DOINGS IN AND ABOUT TOWN

Breezy Little Notes of General Interest Picked up Here and There.

L. F. FISHER, NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING AGENT, 21 Merchants' Exchange Building, San Francisco, is out authorized agent. This paper is kept on file in his office.

Dr. W. E. Lindley, rear of post office. Office hours from 8 to 10 a. m.

Crushed barley always on hand at Z. C. Price &amp; Co's. mill.

The little child of H. H. Nutting has been dangerously ill for several days past, and is hardly expected to live.

Pure Liquors of all kinds for medicine at the Safford Drug Co.

J. H. Vaughn arrived in town this week. He is now busy shipping ore from the Belle mine to the Bisbee smelters.

Fruit of the Loom, 11 yards for \$1.00 at John Blake &amp; Co's.

The Safford Milling company received orders this week to ship 4000 pounds of 16 lb. 1 flour to Globe.

Hats and caps at reduced prices at John Blake &amp; Co's.

Earnest Westover has moved his family from Franklin and will reside on the Wanslee homestead, which he purchased recently.

Drs. McKendry &amp; Hannifin, optical specialists, of Prescott, Ariz., formerly of Provo, Utah, are stopping at the Safford house.

Alcohol, Wines &amp; Liquors, a fresh supply received at the Safford Drug Co.

Mr. C. Madsen, proprietor of the Groesbeck hotel is building a fine livery stable at that place. His teams and rigs have all been moved there.

Every few months J. T. Hildreth adds a number of fine Jersey heifers to his herd. He has now the best lot of Jerseys in the valley and expects to add more.

Mining location notices and real estate deeds for sale at the GUARDIAN office.

The Safford merchants have been receiving large consignments of Christmas goods the last few days, so that now most any kind of Christmas presents desirable can be obtained.

All groceries at lowest cash prices at John Blake &amp; Co's.

Dr. Lindley has received a new two horse cart from Los Angeles, made to order. It is the best of the kind ever brought to the valley, and the doctor is as pleased as a boy with his first pair of pants.

Go to R. S. Patterson for Deeds, Mortgages, Bills of Sale, Mining Deeds and Bonds. He has a supply of blanks on hand. 11-5-12

We are in receipt of a letter from Williams &amp; Son, the Pima photographers, in which they say they will come to Safford with their complete outfit on Dec. 13th, and be ready for business on the 15th.

An up to date assortment of Christmas goods at low prices to be obtained at I. E. Solomon's Solomonsville, A. T.

Wm. Teller's new store, opposite the co-op mill is being pushed to completion. Mr. Freeman expects to complete it within a very short time. When finished Mr. Teller will put in a complete line of general merchandise.

Best assortment of Christmas goods ever displayed in the valley at C. Layton &amp; Co's., Thatcher.

The Pima Dramatic company will put on that popular play "Claim Ninety Six" in Nuttall's hall, Pima, tomorrow, Saturday night. The play is a good one and will be well presented by the company.

C. Layton &amp; Co. have just received a large assortment of Ladies capes, latest styles and at lowest prices.

The Arizona Comedy company are preparing another new play to put on in Robinson's hall. It is "The Hidden Hand," one of the best comedy-dramas yet produced. They expect to have it ready for New Years.

C. Layton &amp; Co., have the finest assortment of men's, ladies' and children's underwear in the valley, with prices lower than the lowest.

H. N. Chilson wants a lot of teams to haul lumber from the mountains. Those desiring work can get it by applying to him.

## THAT CONSOLIDATION.

Will Probably be Made, and be the Saving of Thousands of Dollars.

It seems that the consolidation of the Montezuma and San Jose canals is now almost assured. At the meeting of the stockholders held on Nov. 27th, it was thoroughly discussed. Of course the stockholders were not unanimous in its favor, but we understand that a large majority were, and it was decided that if 80 per cent of the stockholders would agree to the proposition the consolidation would be made. A committee consisting of T. O'Brien, Will Ellsworth and Frank Dymart was appointed to circulate the petitions, and they are finding very little opposition. This committee will report to a meeting of stockholders to be held on Dec. 11th.

The engineer's report showed that the consolidated canal would tap the bed of the river, then run on a 4-12 foot grade and still be, when it reaches the sand wash, 18 feet, perpendicular measurement, above the present Montezuma canal. Thus it will be seen that if this consolidation becomes a fact that all the available land below the mesas can be irrigated.

Of course the construction of the consolidated canal will cost something but the saving in two years time in maintenance will make it up. There will only be one dam instead of two to keep up and we believe by tapping the river that the one will carry as much water as the two do now.

Since the Union and the Nash canals consolidated it has been a great saving to both, and each have had more water than before. The Nash ditch was small, it is true, but the good the consolidation has proven has been perceptible to both companies.

As was before stated in these columns, the farmer must find cheaper means of supplying his land with water, and we believe the consolidation scheme to be the solution.

If the consolidation of these canals is effected the result will be watched very carefully by other canal companies on the river.

Mr. Alexander, special agent for the Mutual Life Insurance company, of New York, was again in the valley this week. The company are offering better inducements to those desiring to insure than they will after the close of the year. Mr. Harry Castle, of this place, has been appointed local agent for the company and those desiring to take advantage of the rate offered until the close of the year should see or communicate with him at once.

Dr. W. E. Lindley, rear of post office. Office hours from 8 to 10 a. m.

Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox makes the extraordinary proposition that a tax should be imposed upon all bachelors over thirty-five years of age, to form a fund for the support of unmarried women. She is strongly of the opinion that women were not formed by nature for self-support, and that men who will not assume the support of a wife and family should be required to contribute to a "reparation fund."

Mining location notices and real estate deeds for sale at the GUARDIAN office.

H. N. Chilson &amp; Sons have repurchased their saw mill and are now prepared to furnish lumber on short notice. In this issue they advertise lumber delivered at any town between Solomonsville and Pima at from \$18 per 1000 feet up. They will keep constantly on hand a large supply of lumber of all classes.

The finest dolls for Santa Claus at Ijams drug store.

Gen. Wm. O. O'Neill and Commodore Gwynne Dennis left Tuesday for Chicago, where an important meeting of the directors of the Santa Fe &amp; Grand Canyon railroad will be held. The gentlemen will, on their return, be accompanied by several of the most prominent men interested, when the future weal or woe of many will be decided. —Williams News.

For quilts and blankets of the very best quality and at prices that defy competition go to Wm. Kirtland.

A rumor reached town late last night of a disastrous head-on collision between a freight and a passenger train on the Santa Fe Pacific east of Ash Fork. It was stated that the crews of both engines had been killed. No other particulars of the wreck were obtainable. —Republican.

36 inch Lansdale Domestic, 12 yards for \$1.00 at John Blake &amp; Co's.

Chas. Roby has the contract to build E. L. Birdno's house, and is pushing the work right along.

## ALONG THE LINE.

Breezy Items Wafted From the Train as it Passes by.

Last Friday Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dresser and Miss Ely made a trip to Geronimo and return, the guests of Sept. Ben Jones. This was their first trip over the G. V. G. &amp; N. They were surprised and highly delighted with the richness and greenery of the valley and say all whom they met were agreeable and condescending which made the whole day decidedly pleasant for them.

Will Kelly made a business trip to Geronimo last Saturday. Returning he stopped off at Thomas to see Jack O'Neil and others.

Wiley E. Jones and Judge McFarland returned Wednesday from Globe where they went to attend court.

Frank Conkey was a visitor in Safford last Tuesday from Geronimo.

Engineer Michael Kelly was taken quite sick with fever Tuesday and is in Safford under the care of Dr. Green. Master mechanic, Compton, is running the engine in Mr. Kelly's place.

Joe T. McKinney came over from Globe last Wednesday, having closed his official duties as deputy sheriff of Gila county. His own business interest in the management of affairs on his ranch near Bowie is sufficient to occupy his entire time. Joe has been a faithful and efficient officer and the Sheriff of Gila county may well regret the loss of his services.

Hon. J. F. Wilson was a passenger on Tuesday's train returning from Globe where he went to defend Mr. Crawford in a murder case.

Dan Ming was in Bowie Monday night on his way from Geronimo to the Pearce mines.

Lieut. Rice, Indian Agent at San Carlos, passed through Safford yesterday en route to the agency.

Col. Lee Crandall was a passenger on yesterday's train en route to Globe from Washington, D. C. The Colonel has been east several months, having in charge several mining deals. The business on which he went east was consummated to his satisfaction which will result in great benefit to Globe. Col. Crandall has great faith in Globe and is ever untiring in his efforts to advance the mining interests of that great camp. He expressed himself as being thoroughly satisfied that Globe would soon be the terminus of the railroad.

## The Coming Woman.

Who goes to the club while her husband tends the baby, as well as the good old-fashioned woman who looks after her home, will both at times get run down in health. They will be troubled with loss of appetite, headaches, sleeplessness, fainting or dizzy spells. The most wonderful remedy for these women is Electric Bitters. Thousands of sufferers from Lame Back and Weak Kidneys rise up and call it blessed. It is the medicine for women. Female complaints and nervous troubles of all kinds are soon relieved by the use of Electric Bitters. Delicate women should keep this remedy on hand to build up the system. Only 50c per bottle. For sale by all druggists.

Christmas presents for boys and girls at Ijams drug store. Santa Claus can also load up with any kind of presents he desires at the same place.

The new residence of B. F. Pascoe on the old McClure homestead at Thatcher is nearing completion. Messrs. Sims and Johnson are the contractors. The house is two stories high and will be an elegant structure when finished.

If you are after outing flannel go to Wm. Kirtland, where you can get your choice very reasonable.

David Johnson, the Aermotor windmill man, of Wilcox, went to Pima yesterday for the purpose of erecting a mill for Sheriff Marshall. He will remain in the valley for some time.

Ijams &amp; Freeman have on hand a supply of fine coffins and caskets and undertakers supplies of all kinds, Safford.

Rev. F. W. Downs will deliver a special discourse Sunday evening on "The Bible a Lamp." All are invited to attend.

36 inch brown domestic, 20 yards for \$1.00 at John Blake &amp; Co's.

Blank notes and deeds for sale at the GUARDIAN office.

Nuts, toys and fruits of all kinds at Ijams drug store.

## BLACK JACK BANDITS.

Jesse Williams and Two Others in Jail at Fronteras, Sonora.

Three members of the notorious Black Jack gang are now in jail at Fronteras, Sonora, and the authorities are waiting for the necessary requisition papers to arrive to bring them over the line. This is part of the gang that held up the Atlantic &amp; Pacific train at Grant station a few weeks ago.

The gang started across the country for Mexico after the hold up. They reached the La Morita custom house on Nov. 23rd, thirteen in number, and had their outfits inspected, paid the duty and after taking a few drinks passed on into Mexico. Three of the gang, Jesse Williams, a cousin of Black Jack, Tom Anderson and an unknown man rode into Fronteras on Thanksgiving day and after taking a few drinks started to shoot up the town. They were surrounded by over a hundred Mexican guards and captured, bound hand and foot and brought before the magistrate. Over \$9,000 in currency and coin was found on their persons.

The governor of Sonora has notified the authorities of Fronteras to hold the prisoners and turn them over to the United States as soon as the proper papers are obtained. The rest of the gang is close by in the Ajo mountains and it is almost certain they will try to release their companions, and a lively fight is anticipated.

## LATER.

A dispatch dated at Bisbee, Ariz., Nov. 29 says: Word was brought here this evening by a line rider that the three train robbers, Jesse Williams, Tom Anderson and an unknown, who have been in jail at Fronteras since Thanksgiving day, had bought their way out from the Mexican officials and were again at liberty with the rest of Black Jack's gang in the Ajo mountains.

A posse of deputy United States marshals left here today for Mexico in pursuit of the robbers. County Sheriff Scott White, several deputy United States marshals and Special Agent Dodge of Wells, Fargo Express company are here.

Special Officer Thatcher of that company will arrive tomorrow. They are forming another posse to leave here tomorrow. A courier is expected in from Fronteras tomorrow, when further particulars will be known.

## Thanksgiving Programme.

The following programme was well rendered on Thanksgiving Day by the Layton schools to an appreciative audience. After which upon motion of Mr. Austin Evans, a unanimous vote of thanks was tendered to Prof. and Mrs. C. P. Jones, for the entertainment.

Song, Layton Choir.

Prayer, Elder W. J. Packer.

Welcome, Little Myrtle Snow.

Governor's proclamation, read by Miss Luella Welker.

Motion recitation, chart class.

Duett, Misses Welker and Tipples.

Motion song by twelve little girls.

Essay, Miss Birdie Olsen.

Class recitation, "Give the little boys a chance."

House Keeper's Soliloquy, Miss Alice Whit.

Class recitation, One Land.

Thanksgiving Day, Miss Eva Steele.

City or Country, Pricilla Bennett and Effie Lee.

A Murder, Miss Edith Tippets.

Class recitation, The Trades.

Fio's Letter, Aggie Layton.

Trio, Misses Smithson and Smith.

A Thanksgiving story, Lou Evans.

Class recitation, Old Ironsides.

Thanksgiving Day, Miss Mary Warner.

Class recitation, A story of Thanksgiving.

Our first Thanksgiving Day, Vessa Packer.

Duett, Misses Ethel and Lou Evans.

A Confession, Standley Carndall.

Class recitation, Thanksgiving.

Song, Choir.

## Writ of Mandamus Denied.

San Francisco, Nov. 30.—The supreme court this afternoon denied the application of Theodore Durrant's attorneys for a writ of mandamus to compel Judge Bahrs to proceed with the trial of the charge of murder for the killing of Minnie Williams. This order in no way effects the appeal of Durrant from the judgment from which he appealed on his conviction of Blanche Lamont. It decides nothing except that the court will not issue its mandate to compel the superior court to try a cause.

## FOR SALE.

A first-class milk cow, six years old. Apply at this office.

## THATCHER ITEMS.

Leon, the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Pace, is lying dangerously sick with the typhoid fever.

Mrs. McRae, whose serious illness was reported a short time since is rapidly recovering.

A little son of David Williams' is very sick with typhoid fever.

Mrs. Thomas Rose presented her husband with a fine daughter Wednesday morning.

The Thatcher Sunday School is getting up a concert and farce to be presented in Robinson's hall on Dec. 22nd. The entertainment is for the benefit of the school, and the proceeds will be used in purchasing new books.

As the writer entered the suburbs of your beautiful town on Tuesday last he was greeted with the smell of pork, not ham seasoned with the odoriferous perfumes of a swine in an advanced stage of decomposition laying immediately at the road side. The party who is responsible for the existence of this disease breeding nuisance ought to be compelled by the strong arm of the law to have it removed, the health of the public demands it.

## INDIAN OUTRAGES.

A Band of White Mountain Apaches Stealing Sheep.

The St. Johns Herald says that a band of Apaches has been off the reservation and committing outrages in the neighborhood of Slaughter's ranch, on Black river. They say that a couple of cowmen, who were riding the range, came across the band, and that the Indians were driving a lot of sheep numbering probably three hundred head. When the boys came in sight the Indians made hostile demonstrations as though expecting a fight, and when asked who was the owner of the sheep, one of them retorted, "Mine!" They also had in their possession the carcasses of thirty deer. The cowboys brought the word to the ranch of George A. Conklin, an extensive sheep owner in the neighborhood, and he at once sent two men to learn whose sheep had been stolen. On last Thursday, a party consisting of Dionicio Duran, Sylvester Peralta and Jesus Peralta, of this place, who have sheep in the neighborhood, went to the White Mountains to gain further particulars.

## CONDEMNED TO DEATH.

Death Sentence Has Been Pronounced on Ten Police Officials.

A city of Mexico dispatch dated the 22nd, says that the great trial of Arroyo's murderers is over, having terminated that evening with sentence of death pronounced on ten of the officials and policemen concerned in the butchery of the hapless wretch whose audacious attempt on the president's life caused so profound sensation here. The jury was out over seven hours.

Villavicencio and Cabrera took the verdict coolly, as in fact did all the prisoners. Bellido was sentenced to eleven months imprisonment and Cuellar, who bought the knives, at the request of his master, the late inspector general Velasquez, and also Bravo, were acquitted and set free. The condemned men do not yet seem to realize their perilous position. Their lawyers entered an appeal in each case.

Public opinion sustains the verdict.—Vidette.

## Good Flour.

J. F. Crampton, who is running a first class bakery in Globe, and who uses about 8000 pounds of flour per month, writes that he has been using the Belle Flour, manufactured in Safford by Z. C. Price &amp; Co., and that it is equal to the Pride of Denver flour, in fact, he says, it is hard to make his customers believe otherwise, as they cannot think this valley capable of producing an article of such high grade. Mr. Crampton says his orders in the future will be sent here.

## DIED.

HYEL.—On Monday, Nov. 29th, 1897, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hyel, of brain fever.

ELIAS.—On Monday, Nov. 29th, 1897, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arturo Elias, Solomonsville.

## Croup Quickly Cured.

Mountain Glen, Ark.—Our children were suffering with croup when we received a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It afforded almost instant relief.—F. A. Thorn-ton. This celebrated remedy is for sale by all dealers in medicine.

Mining location notices and real estate deeds for sale at the GUARDIAN office.

## A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.

Three Men Killed on the A. &amp; P. Road Last Monday Night.

Last Monday night about 9 o'clock as a heavy freight train, consisting of two engines and thirty-one freight cars were going down the long hill about seven miles west of Williams, Ariz., the engineers lost control of the air and the entire train went down the long hill at lightning speed. The crash came at the bottom of the hill, when the entire thirty-one cars, with the two engines, left the track and were piled up in a mass at its side. Fire was soon added to the horror and twenty-five of the loaded cars of freight were burned up, the remaining cars being thrown some distance did not catch fire.

As soon as possible the train crew were taken from among the debris. Both engineers, J. Watson and Frank Nugent, with one fireman, were found to be dead, while Conductor O'Kelly was so badly injured that he is expected to die.

## PREMIUM OFFERING.

On Dec. 24th, 1897, we will give away to our customers on cash purchases One Silver Watch, value \$10.00, one lady's fine plush cape, value \$5.00, one suit of clothes, value \$8.00. Cash customers will be given tickets entitling them to draw for the above articles from Nov. 26th to the night of Dec. 24.

C. LAYTON &amp; Co. Thatcher.

11-26-41.

## Willcox Locals.

From the Range News.

A number of our young people, including Messrs. E. B. Moore, B. D. Neighbors, John W. Marks, Harry Shepard and others attended the dance at Bonita Thursday night. Miss Mollie Lemon, of Pearce, was also in attendance. The Willcox boys report having had a very pleasant time, the generous hospitality of M. L. Wood and family contributing in no small degree to their enjoyment. The party returned Friday evening tired but happy.

Mr. Thos. H. Hes, of Axial, Colo., arrived on Sunday night of last week and went out with Inspector E. K. Hooker to Sierra Bonita ranch where he made Col. H. C. Hooker an offer for his yearling steers for spring delivery. Later in the week he raised his offer a dollar per head, and closed a contract for 1200. Mr. Hes who has one of the finest ranges in western Colorado, together with 1600 acres of farm land in the Axial Basin, has been vainly trying to get the Sierra Bonita steers for the past two or three years. This explains why he was so early on the ground this winter.

Those who believe chronic diarrhoea to be incurable should read what Mr. P. E. Grisham, of Gaars Mills, La., has to say on the subject, viz: "I have been a sufferer from chronic diarrhoea ever since the war and have tried all kinds of medicine for it. At last I found a remedy that effected a cure and that was Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy." This medicine can always be depended upon for colic, cholera morbus, dysentery and diarrhoea. It is pleasant to take and never fails to effect a cure. 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by all dealers in medicine.